IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

First Named

Inventor : Zine-Eddine Boutaghou et al.

Appln. No.: 09/885,513

Filed : June 20, 2001

For : SLIDER WITH PREDICTED TIPPED

POSITION

Docket No.: S01.12-0672

COPY

Group Art Unit: 2652

Examiner:

RECEIVED

APR 1 5 2002

Technology Center 2600

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Box Non-Fee Amendment Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231 I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PAPER IS BEING SENT BY U.S. MAIL, FIRST CLASS, TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS, WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231, THIS

Leudre Kvale

PATENT ATTORNEY

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

## IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the paragraph beginning on Page 1, line 4 and ending on Page 1, line 6 as follows:

Al

This application claims priority to Provisional Application Serial No. 60/212,942, filed June 20, 2000 and entitled "MICRO TEXTURED SLIDER WITH PREDICTED TIPPED POSITION".